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LOCAL.

Ike Martin made a short trip to Jasper Tuesday.

M. W. Anderson, of Jasper, was in town Wednesday.

Job work is done neatly and promptly at this office.

Maj. Thos. H. Hill, Senior Editor of this concern, is in town to-day.

Henry Kent, of Sequachee, was in this city Tuesday and Wednesday.

Dr. A. L. Peay and Bob Hooper are on our lists. Thanks, gentlemen.

The News is very much obliged to Bob Hooper for kindness extended.

Edgar Pryor, of Sequachee, has been assisting the News office this week.

The Improved Order of Red Men held their regular meeting at Red Men's Hall Tuesday night.

Messrs J. J. Dykes and Elijah Dykes went to Washington this week to attend the Inauguration.

I. R. Jorden, J. H. Copeland and Wm. Rankin had their names placed on our subscription list Wednesday.

Ike Martin, it is reported, has closed contract to build three houses for Dr. McCree, and a store house for J. L. Ketner.

Doc Bryant, who lived in Bryant's Cove, died suddenly at Sequachee Monday. He was assisted from the train Monday evening and died that night.

We have to apologize for any short coming in our paper this week. Things have been so torn up that it has been next to impossible to do anything.

Thursday was the Inauguration Day of the President of the U. S. and on the same day the first paper ever printed in Whitwell made its appearance.

Several drummers were in town this week. This speaks well for the business of this place that these gentlemen of the road are in constant attendance upon it.

Tom Eakin's prospects for the post-office here are said to be very good. Bill McPherson, E. E. Bull and W. M. Grayson think the same. Who will get the plum?

Tuesday was pay day in Whitwell and the T. C. I & R. Co. disbursed a large sum of money. It was an unusual amount this time and the boys were made happy.

Now if we only had a water works system. Did you ever think that the decreased price on insurance in this town would soon pay for a reservoir and piping, that is after the reservoir was constructed.

Mr. T. N. Graham and family have our thanks for courtesies rendered. Mr. Graham has been an earnest worker for the News and has spared neither time nor pains to make things as comfortable as possible for us.

To the good people of Whitwell we would say this: Patronize us by giving us subscription, job work and advertisements, and we will repay you by getting out extra fine paper every week. If we can get enough to hire help to assist us, you will reap the benefit as much as we.

A Surprise Party.

The Improved Order of Red Men, of this city, are bricks and no mistake about it. There were about 200 barrels stacked up in the rear end of our office in their building when we arrived here Tuesday and we did n't know what in the world to do with them. We could n't well eat them; and were really afraid that the revenue officers would get after us for having so many barrels on the premises. Well, we certainly were in a quandary about this seemingly trivial matter, but there was solution in store for us, and it came about in this wise:

Tuesday night, not at the silent hour of midnight but at an earlier moment in the night, the inhabitants of this city were startled by what seemed to be a series of explosions in this direction. All eyes were turned toward this office, immediately. For if there is anything that Whitwell is proud of it is to have a real live printing office and everyone seems to have a tender solicitude towards it.

But it was not a blowing up the concern, but those magnificent Red Men were "firing" those barrels in every conceivable direction out of the office. When twenty or twenty-five stout men get in line to work, something is bound to drop, and so the barrels went plunk, plunk, plunk, plunketty-plunk.

We tender our sincerest thanks to the noble Red Man and hope their shadows may never grow less. Their promptness in the solution of the difficulty was commendable, and well they did us a good turn. All honor to the Red Men of Whitwell.

Sequachee

There was quite a number of the young folks at the Falling Spring Sunday.

Misses Fannie Kate Pryor and Alta Brown attended the Christian Endeavor Sunday.

S. P. Pryor will hold prayer meeting Sunday night.

Chris Wagner expects to set out about 30,000 cuttings of grape vines.

W. D. Spears of, Jasper, was in town Monday.

C. J. Gustafson went to South Pittsburg Saturday.

W. C. Hill went to Whitwell and Victoria Saturday.

Mr. J. L. Burklin of Inman was in town Saturday.

R. C. Mills is getting out stone lithograph and other kinds in Indian Cove for the Marion Co exhibit.

The Bon Air Coal mines are reported as shipping 40 carloads of coal a day. These mines are on the same level as the Farley opening here and we cannot but believe that the same kind of coal is right here and shall think so until it is proved to be exhausted between Sequachee and Bon Air.

Nashville's Trade Paper.

Business Chat is the title of a new publication that has recently arrived at this office, which we gladly place on our exchange list. It is very handsomely gotten up typographically and the subject matter is very well edited.

S. A. Cowan handed us a subscription for Miss Attie Brown Chattanooga Thursday.

Washington Letter.

From Our Special Correspondent.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26, 1897.

Congress is disposed at this time to feel more warlike towards Spain than at any time during the session, owing to the sensational news concerning the threatened resignation Consul Gen Lee on account of the administration not properly backing him up in his efforts to secure just treatment for American citizens arrested in Cuba, and nothing but the nearness of the end of the administration has prevented action on the part of Congress that would be equivalent to a declaration of war against Spain. There has been and is intense excitement, although strong effort is being made to keep it from breaking out. Representative Gibsyn, of Tenn., offered a resolution in the House for a peremptory demand upon Spain for the immediate release of every American imprisoned in Cuba, and for the bombardment of Havana if it be not at once complied with. The Senate adopted a resolution requesting Secretary Olney to furnish it with copies of communications to and from Consul General Lee, and another instructing the President to demand the immediate release of Julio Sanguilly, a citizen of the United States, and a suitable indemnity from Spain for his unjust imprisonment. The last is a joint resolution, which was unanimously reported from the Foreign Relations committee. Had it been put through earlier President Cleveland would have had to act, one way or the other upon it, but now even if passed by the House it is subject to a pocket veto.

The address issued this week by the silver republican in Congress has not pleased the politicians in either of the parties, because it indicates an intention to maintain a silver republican party, by naming a provisional national committee and providing for it to hold a meeting in Chicago next June. The republicans do not like this, because they fear its effects upon the rank and file of their party in a number of States; the democrats and populists dislike it because they expected to gain the silver republicans as recruits. Another thing about the address that the populists do not like is that Senator Jones, of Nevada, who last year publicly declared himself to be a populist and to have cut loose from the republican party, signed it. Senator Stewart of the same State, did not sign it. The meeting at which the address was prepared was held at Senator Teller's house.

Some of the western men in Congress are making a warm fight on President Cleveland's proclamation setting aside 21,000,000 acres of land to make thirteen forest reserves. A delegation consisting of Senator Clark and Representative Mundell, of Wyo., and Representative Gamble, of S. D., made vigorous protest to Secretary Francis. Senator Wilson, of Wash., said on the floor of the Senate that the proclamation should not have been issued; Senator Cannon, of Utah, said it designated as forest land tracts which contained no timber larger than a jack rabbit bush, and Senator Clark said he knew from personal observation that some of the land did not have enough timber on it to build a four rail fence around it.

Secretary Francis says the action of the President was based upon official information and a desire to stop the wholesale destruction of timber on the public lands in question.

A Fountain of Beautiful Design.

The fountain which will be in a part of the main hall in the Woman's Building is a contribution of the woman of Marion County and is a very handsome and costly fountain of most graceful design.

The basin and pedestal are made of Tennessee marble and were designed by Warner Shook of Tracy City, son of Col. A. M. Shook, of Nashville. The figure, or fountain part proper, is finished by the celebrated fountain makers, J. L. Mott & Co., of New York.

The basin is octagonal in shape and 10 feet in diameter, made entirely of Tennessee rough marble. The pedestal is particularly attractive, being in octagon shaped sections, each composed of thirty-two pieces of variegated Tennessee marble. Each alternate stone projects, and these projecting pieces are put in of highly polished, vari-colored marble, while the adjoining store, the sunken parts, are of chipped stone. The pedestal stands three feet and ten inches above the water level, while the water basin itself is 15 inches high.

The figure is that of a very gracefully draped woman, holding in her uplifted hands an urn of unique design. Surmounting, or partly contained within the urn is a globe, from the sides of which the spray falls on all sides of the figure into the basin below. Inside the globe will be placed a cluster of incandescent lights, which will shine through the mist of spray. The figure will be made of iron and painted white, as will be the urn, and the globe of heavy glass. In height the female figure will be 6 feet.

This fountain design was the selection of Mrs. W. E. Carter, of South Pittsburg, the Chairman of Marion County Board of Women Commissioners. It is largely due to the energy and influence of Mrs. Carter that the County Court of Marion made its liberal appropriation and from the first she has been a tireless worker, determined in the effort to represent appropriately the patriotism and resources of Marion County.

Resolution of Sympathy.

At regular meeting Feb. 13, 1897. of Post 53, G. A. R., the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS our ranks are again broken by the death of our comrade, William T. Mosgrove, it is

RESOLVED, That we extend our sympathy and condolence to his widow and surviving children.

THOMAS H. HILL,
JOSEPH GREEN, } Com.
NICHOLAS FULFUR.

A Revolution in Cotton Handling?

The question of cotton-baling is now attracting universal attention in cotton growing, cotton handling and cotton manufacturing circles. The plans that have been matured for introducing the cylindrical baling system, after several years of preliminary work, indicate that in the near future the whole method of cotton handling will be improved and that all cotton must be better baled and better handled, whether it be compressed by the old system or by the new. With the new system, that puts up a round bale of uniform size and weight, that is proved to be almost inflammable, in active operation, no one can afford to put up a badly covered bale, clumsy, dirty and very inflammable, as heretofore. The new system must, it seems force a better handling of all cotton, to the great advantage of all cotton growers, because clean well baled cotton must always command the highest market price. Mr. Edward Atkins, son, in a treatise upon, "The Cotton Fibre and its Improvement," has said: "The man who first conceived a cylinder bale, made lap by lap, with the air excluded, has done more to modify and improve the treatment of the cotton through its course from the field to the fabric than any man who has existed since Whitney invented the cotton gin." This week's issue of the Manufacturer's Record of Baltimore, devotes five pages to a full illustrated description of the new system, as compared with the old, which is the first comprehensive report ever made on the subject, and in closing, says: "The mechanism for making round rolled bales of cotton at last has been brought to such practical perfection that its almost immediate and general use may be set down as a foregone conclusion." The inauguration of such a revolution in cotton handling as this would make a change in the marketing of the South's great staple of universal interest.

A Timely Friend.

With perfect propriety may we call that excellent remedy, Salvation Oil, a timely friend. This liniment rapidly cures rheumatism, neuralgia and pains, when other remedies fail. Mr. Jno. M. Hall, Ashland, Va., writes: "I suffered with rheumatism in the ankle and the muscles connected therewith. Salvation Oil at once relieved the soreness, reduced the swelling, and cured the pain. No other liniment that I ever used did me so much good."

The coke ovens at Victoria are expected to be moved to this place soon. The land has been staked off and the preliminary figuring has been made. Other companies are making preparations for coke making, why not the T. C. & I?

We were forced to leave aside a lot of our correspondence this week for want of space, but it will appear next week. From present indications next week's paper will be devoted solely to news as the matter is piling in on us, and it must go in.

Wanted—An Idea

Who can think of some simple thing to patent? Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & CO., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their \$1.00 prize office and list of two hundred inventions wanted.